



Lake Grace District High School NEWSLETTER #2

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Thursday 19th February 2026

Term 1

Upcoming Events

P & C AGM & Meeting
Monday 23rd February @
6:30pm

Sci-Tech Incurion PP-Yr 6
Monday 23rd February

Mini Industry Road Show
Yr 9/10
Wednesday 25th February

School Clean Up Day
Friday 27th March

Labour Day Public Holiday
Monday 2nd March

Michael Ward Visit
Tuesday 3rd March

Faction Swimming Carnival
Friday 6th March

NAPLAN

Wednesday 11th March–
Monday 23rd March

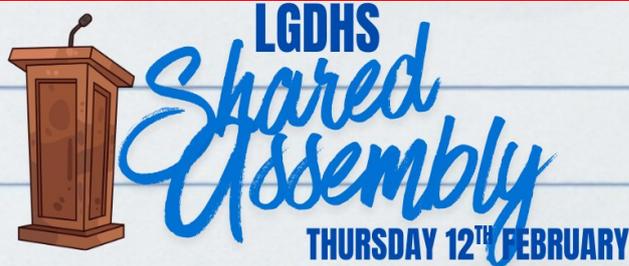
Faction Swimming Carnival
Friday 6th March

BMX Incurion
Tuesday 17th March

**Yr 1 Assembly and Open
Classroom**
Thursday 19th March @ 2:10

SCHOOL HOURS

Wednesday (early close)
8.45am—2.30pm
**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday &
Friday**
8.45am—3.00pm



Thankyou to everyone who attended last weeks assembly and class meetings. It was such a great way to get a little insight in to what our students have been getting up to this term!





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Message from the Administration Team

It's hard to believe we are already in Week 3 of Term One. The term is well underway, and it has been wonderful to see how quickly our students have settled into their new routines, classrooms, and friendships. The calm, positive start across the school has been a credit to both our students and staff.

Classrooms are buzzing with learning, curiosity, and enthusiasm. From our youngest students beginning their school journey to our senior students stepping confidently into new challenges, there is a strong sense of pride and purpose in all that is happening across the school. It has been a pleasure visiting classes and seeing the engagement, kindness, and respect our students show each day.

Thank you to our families for your ongoing support in helping establish strong routines, encouraging attendance, and maintaining open communication with teachers. Your partnership makes a significant difference and helps create the supportive environment our children need to succeed.

As we move further into the term, we look forward to upcoming learning opportunities, events, and celebrations that bring our community together. I encourage everyone to stay connected and involved — our school is strongest when we work together.

Thank you for being such an important part of our school community. We're excited for the weeks ahead and all that our students will continue to achieve.



Shaping the future

Connect and Respect

Every student, staff member, parent or carer has the right to feel safe and be safe in our schools.

We all share a responsibility for providing a safe, supportive and productive environment, free from bullying, harassment, discrimination and violence.

What we can all expect:



mutual respect



model positive behaviour



open communication



respect for each other's time

We will not tolerate:



offensive, insulting or aggressive language



malicious or judgemental gossip



using social media disrespectfully



any form of violence or threats

Appropriate action will be taken to ensure all staff are safe if the need arises.

Student Leaders
OF 2026, SEMESTER 1

Congratulations

Lily Stubberfield
Rebekah Pawsey
Lacy King
Haylen Trevenen

SCI-TECH
INCURSION

PRE-PRIMARY
TO YR 6

MONDAY
23RD FEBRUARY

Breakfast Club is open to all students each Tuesday and Thursday at 8.30am in the Home Economics Room

Message from the eSafety Commission

I trust my feelings –
I ask for help when
something doesn't
feel right.

Dusty the frilled
neck lizard



Remember to:

Listen to
your body clues.

Close the screen if
something doesn't
feel right.

Ask a trusted
adult for help.

Meet Dusty's friends

They have an important
online safety message
for you too!



River the sugar glider



Wanda the echidna



Billie the bilby



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Messages from the P&C President: Sarah Clarke

AGM and General Meeting

Welcome back to the Lake Grace DHS P&C for 2026. Our first P&C meeting and AGM for the year is being held on Monday the 23rd of February at 6.30pm in the Padley Room.

This is a great opportunity to come along and hear what P&C is all about. If you have been thinking about coming along to learn more or get involved, please come along to the meeting and see for yourself.

Swimming Carnival Lunches

We already have the Swimming Carnival lunch catering in our sights. For this catering we are looking for some volunteers that have kids under year 4 and who maybe struggle to get into the canteen on a Monday.

The swimming carnival is being held on Friday the 6th of March and the P&C runs a simplified lunch only menu for this event, so it's a nice easy one. If you'd like to be involved, please reach out to Chloe McDougall or anyone else on the P&C that you might know and they will point you in the right direction.

Kind regards,

Sarah Clarke | P & C President



Canteen Roster Term 1

Canteen Roster Term 1 2026			
23/02/2026	Simone Choi	Chloe McDougall	Sarah Clarke
02/03/2026	Public Holiday	Public Holiday	Public Holiday
09/03/2026	Elise Bell	Claire Crosswell	Joely Slinn
16/03/2026	Jihee Jones	Nikki Lewis	Sarah Clarke
24/03/2026	Jocelyn Brandis	Teneeka Morgan	Sam Argent

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Student Update Form

Student Update Forms

Student update forms have been sent home with your children. Please ensure you check, make any necessary corrections, sign and return to the front office as soon as possible. This is the information we hold on our school student information system and is vitally important we have your correct contact details and student medical details. We will also require updated immunisation details from 4/5 year olds who received their school entry immunisations after they commenced Kindy.

Thank you. LGDHS Admin.

School Clean Up Day

GET YOUR

2026

GLOVES ON
SCHOOLS
CLEAN UP DAY



FRIDAY 27 FEBRUARY



Secondary Assistance Scheme Reminder

SECONDARY ASSISTANCE SCHEME

YEARS 7-12

YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR UP TO :

\$350

(TOWARDS SCHOOL EXPENSES)

DO YOU HOLD A: - CENTRELINK HEALTH CARE CARD
OR - CENTRELINK PENSIONER CONCESSION CARD
OR - VETERANS' AFFAIRS PENSIONER CONCESSION CARD

Applications Close: Thursday 2nd April 2026

Ask School Reception for More Information

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Messages from the Chaplain: **Brodie Simmons**

Hello everyone!

I am happy to once again be the Chaplain at Lake Grace DHS! I'm looking forward to another great year supporting our wonderful community. If you've yet to meet me, as a brief intro I live on a farm in Pingaring and have recently finished my Honours degree in Psychology. I love reading, animals and being a Chaplain.

As a reminder of what I do here, Chaplains such as myself provide pastoral care and aim to be a positive influence in the school and help where needed. We care about the social, emotional, mental and spiritual wellbeing of students, families, staff and the whole school community. We walk with people to support, empower and encourage them to be the best they can be, and to live happy and healthy lives. Chaplains also assist in accessing a wide range of services, such as financial and counselling services among others.

Most interactions I have with students are classroom/playground based and informal. I help sort disputes, listen, comfort as needed and befriend them. Sometimes a student is sent to the Chaplain's office for some time out where we play games or colour in and chat until they're ready to head back to class. Other times I have more formal meetings to support students over extended periods and work with the school psychologist. If a student is having a difficult time, they or a care giver can initiate a request for them to meet with me one-on-one.

The school provides Chaplaincy as an 'opt out' service - you always have the right to 'opt out' of Chaplaincy interactions. If you wish to opt out for your child/ren, please inform the school. If you choose to opt in, please know yourself and school leadership will be informed if any concerns arise.

I am also here for parents, caregivers and staff, so please let me know how I can support you or if you have some concerns for your child. All discussions are confidential, professional and nonjudgmental. To make an appointment, please contact the school on 9860 4500 or email me at brodie.simmons@youthcare.org.au.

**"You are braver than you believe,
stronger than you seem and smarter
than you think." - A.A. Milne**



Help with education costs in WA



Secondary Assistance Scheme: An allowance to help with education and uniform costs for secondary school students. Available to guardians with an eligible concession card. Visit www.education.wa.edu.au/secondary-assistance-scheme

ABSTUDY: Money available to eligible Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Students through Services Australia. Visit www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/abstudy

Student Transport: Students with a Student SmartRider can access free public transport for any journey Monday to Friday during the school year.

KidSport: Children aged 5 to 18 years can receive up to \$300 to help with the cost of joining an approved community sport or swimming club. Visit <https://kidsport.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/>



Saver Plus Program: A free 10-month program which provides a personalised savings plan to assist with education costs and includes group financial literacy activities. Visit www.thsmithfamily.com.au or call 1300 610 355.

School based support: Many schools can provide resources or make referrals to local support services. Speak directly with your school if you are struggling with education costs.

WA No Interest Loans: Loans of up to \$2000 to pay for educational fees or equipment, including computers, booklists, uniforms, excursions and camps. Visit www.wanils.com.au

Little Friends Scholarships: Successful recipients can access \$500 per child for education costs or extra-curricular activities. Visit www.friendswithdignity.org.au/little-friends-scholarships



Ngala Parenting Line: A free telephone service providing caregivers with information, support and referrals. Contact 9368 9368 (or 1800 111 546 for country callers), between 8:00 am and 8:00 pm.

National Debt Helpline: Experiencing financial stress? Call 1800 007 007 between 9:30 am and 4:30 pm for free advice on managing debts.

Can't find what you are looking for? Visit <https://waconnect.org.au> to search for help in your area.



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Connect is Coming to Our School Term 2!



We are a
Connect School



Wherever you are...

ConnectNow

For a Step by Step guide to sign up to Connect click here: [PowerPoint Presentation](#)

Quick Guide for Parents of Primary Students click here: [PowerPoint Presentation](#)

Quick Guide for Parents of Secondary Students click here: [PowerPoint Presentation](#)

Visit connect.det.wa.ed.au or get the app:



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Ranger Red's Zoo



RANGER Red's ZOO
PRESENTS...
ZOO2U
WILDLIFE EXPERIENCE

Bringing Australian Wildlife Up Close & Personal!

COMING TO A SCHOOL NEAR YOU

- NEWDEGATE & LAKE KING PRIMARY SCHOOLS (at Newdegate CRC)
MONDAY 23rd MARCH 2026
- LAKE GRACE DHS
TUESDAY 24th MARCH 2026

LIVE & INTERACTIVE WILDLIFE SHOWS!

- Hands-on encounters
- Fascinating animal facts
- Conservation messages

INSPIRING THE NEXT GENERATION OF CONSERVATION HEROES!

DON'T MISS OUT!

Brought to You By:




SHIRE OF LAKE GRACE

Mobile Service Centre



Services
Australia



Australian Government mobile service centres

If you live in a rural area, you may need to travel greater distances to access government payments and services. To make it easier for you to access these services, we're bringing them to you and your community.

Mobile service centres (MSCs) travel extensively throughout rural and regional Australia to provide help and support. During natural disasters and emergencies, they can provide on-the-ground support for disaster recovery efforts.

Services Australia staff travel with the MSCs and can help you with Medicare and Centrelink payments and services. Our MSCs also have disabled access.

Our staff can also help veterans and their families connect to the Department of Veterans' Affairs phone line and online services.

Wi-Fi is available for visitors to the MSC and staff will be able to help you create a myGov account. myGov is a simple and secure way to access government services online.

Our staff provide you with friendly face-to-face service, information and support. From time to time, representatives from other government agencies also travel with the MSCs.

More Information

To view the latest itineraries for the MSCs, go to servicessaustralia.gov.au/mobileoffice

The stopping locations are promoted in each town and on social media before each visit.

Information and help you can access on board the MSCs

We provide information, help and support to rural and regional communities, including:

- families
- older Australians
- students
- job seekers
- people with disability
- carers
- farmers
- self-employed people.

We can assist you with:

- registering and using the agency's online services
- new claims for Centrelink payments
- updating and confirming Medicare and Centrelink information
- information on how financial matters may impact on payments
- assistance with payment and service options
- rural payment entitlements for eligible farmers
- non-cash Medicare transactions
- enrolling for and issuing new Medicare cards
- updating and re-issuing Medicare cards
- social work support and referrals.



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Admin Planner | Term 1 2026

Please note: This Planner is subject to change

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	SAT/SUN
	26 Australia Day	27 Admin Commence	28	29 SDD	30 SDD	31/1 FEB
1	2 Students Commence	3	4	5 Newsletter	6	7/8
2	9 Interm Swimming Lessons	10 Secondary Parent Meetings	11 Student Leader Elections 11am	12 Shared Assembly/ Class Meetings	13	14/15
3	16 Interm Swimming Lessons	17	18	19 Newsletter	20	21/22
4	23 Scitech Incursion Yr P-6 P & C AGM & General Meeting @6.30pm	24	25 Mini Industry Road Show Yr 8-10	26	27 School Clean Up Day	28/1 March
5	2 Labour Day Holiday	3 Michael Ward Visit	4	5 Newsletter	6 Faction Swimming Carnival	7/8
6	9	10	11 NAPLAN STARTS	12	13	14/15
7	16 NAPLAN	17 BMX Incursion	18	19 Year 1 Assembly and Open Classroom Newsletter	20 World Down Syndrome Day	21/22
8	23 NAPLAN FINISHES	24 Ranger Red Zoo	25	26 Parent Meetings Half Day Closure	27 Interschool Swimming Carnival @ Gnowangerup	28/29
9	30	31	1 APRIL	2 Last Day of Term World Autism Awareness Day Easter Hat Parade Newsletter	3 Good Friday Holiday	4/5